

SAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd November 2014

Present:

Cllr Chris Clews	Chairman
Cllr David Shaw	
Cllr Phil Jones	
Cllr Roy Davies	
Cllr Pete Joynes	
Cllr Clive Rickhards	Warwickshire County Council
Cllr Justin Kerridge	Stratford District Council
Teresa Murphy	Clerk

There were 9 parishioners present.

1. **Apologies:** None

2. **Disclosure of Interest:** It was noted that Cllr David Shaw, as a member of the PCC, had an interest in Agenda item 7.

3. **Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd September 2014 were agreed and signed, with the following correction:

Item 5 (iii) – Elizabeth **Birley** reported that the footpath

4. **Matters Arising from the minutes**

Model Standing Orders: the bound and printed document was distributed to the Councillors and the Clerk.

Emergency Plan: Work in progress. To be carried forward.

Action: Chairman

SDC Planning Sessions: To be put as an Agenda item for the January meeting. The Clerk to confirm details.

Action: Clerk

Recreation Ground: It was confirmed that Mr Gibbs had been asked to mow the grass footpaths on a regular basis.

Moles on Recreation Ground: Willis Ward to investigate. Carried forward.

Buses turning into Littlewood Green: Carried forward

Action: Cllr Rickhards

Rural Crime Co-ordinator: The Clerk confirmed that the notices had been displayed in the boards.

Footpath at Capilano Corner: It was confirmed that the repair work had been carried out.

Footpath – Oaktree Lane: The footpath has now been completed. Several people have commented on the efficiency and quality of the work undertaken by WCC contractors, C. R. Macdonald. The Clerk was asked to write to Paul Cowley (WCC) and express the thanks of the Parish Council for the fine work. A letter of appreciation will also be sent to the contractors.

Action: Clerk

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: The Clerk confirmed that the relevant addresses had been forwarded to SDC.

Railway bridge at Sambourne Hall Farm: It is thought that the track is on private land and therefore the responsibility of the land owner. Cllr Kerridge was asked to find out if the Parish Council would be given advance notice of any planning proposal concerning the railway bridge.

Action: Cllr Kerridge

5. Public Participation

- 1) *Cllr Kerridge* asked if it would be possible for Mr Gibbs to trim the verge by the car park at the entrance to the recreation ground.
- 2) *Cllr Kerridge* also reported that the strip of pavement at the top of Middletown Lane near the finger post is in need of repair.

Action: Chairman

6. Superfast Broadband in Sambourne

The group of 10 volunteers has met. One of the group (who will most likely be known to the householder) will be calling on residents to gather information about broadband use and performance. There is a link on the Sambourne website to the on-line survey at CSW and also details on how to carry out a broadband speed check. However, the volunteer will offer the alternative of completing a paper version which can be done on the doorstep. It is imperative that these surveys are completed – the more people who respond the better will be our chances of improving the poor rates Sambourne now experiences. It was agreed that another meeting should be held in the next week – Willis Ward to arrange.

Action: Willis Ward, Chairman

7. Annual Subscription to the Link

It was agreed that an annual donation of £100 should be made to the Link. This donation to be made in November.

8. Accounts

The Clerk reported that Cllr Kerridge had requested a donation of £35 towards the cost of producing The Voice. This expenditure was agreed.

The following cheques were signed:

Clerk	Salary and expenses	£391.32
HMRC	Clerk's Tax	£84.80
Cllr Kerridge	The Voice	£35.00
Coughton with Sambourne PCC	The Link	£100
Cllr Clews	Website	£21.56
	Poppy Wreath	£25.00
	Printing	£24.00

9. Planning

Results of Planning Applications since the Last Meeting

14/00932/LBC	Crossroads Sambourne Lane	Refurbishment of dormer windows	Granted 16/09/2014
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New Applications since the Last Meeting

14/01569/FUL	Chestnut Court	Erection of 2 storey B1 office building	Objection
14/01375/FUL	Reddi 2 Coat Green Lane	Demolition of existing structures and construction of 4 houses	
14/02036/DDT	Brickyard Lane	T1 oak – remove snapped limb	
14/01731/LDE	Land at the White House	Use of land for agricultural purposes and stationing of shed	Objections but GRANTED 18/09/2014
14/02201/ELEC	Western Power	Replacement of overhead lines	
14/01667/FUL	The Laurels, The Green	Single storey garden room	

10. Correspondence

The Clerk had received the Winter Gritting Schedule. This does not differ from previous years. **Grit bins:** 2 of the bins are filled with salt. The Chairman will arrange refilling the salt in the bin at Capilano Corner. It was suggested that new shovels be investigated.

Action: Chairman

11. Chairman's Business

- 1) The Chairman reported that he had attended a meeting with the contractors responsible for road works on the A435 – in particular the lack of appropriate signage. This was a successful and worthwhile meeting. Thanks to Cllr Rickhards for arranging.
- 2) A meeting has been arranged by Studley Parish Council to discuss the Sustainability Communities Act and how it could be used to rein in the Redditch Local Plan with regard to an area that would impact Sambourne. Cllr Davies offered to be the Sambourne representative on the group

Action: Cllr Davies

- 3) Cllr Shaw reported that nothing has yet been heard about the Housing Needs Survey.

12. Any other Business

- 1) **Cllr Davies** had looked at the SDC Planning Portal and noticed that there are 3 planning applications outstanding beyond their agreed dates. Cllr Kerridge said that this was likely due to resolution issues on the plans but would investigate.

Action: Cllr Kerridge

- 2) **Cllr Davies** reported that the speed cameras are back in Sambourne in November and December.
- 3) **Cllr Davies** would like to thank Geoff Smith for donating stone chippings (Gloucestershire pea gravel) for use around the Memorial.
- 4) **Cllr Davies** would like to thank WCC Forestry for the excellent job in pollarding the elm tree outside the church.
- 5) **Cllr Shaw** reported that the floodlight on the garage at The Laurels is sometimes left on at night and dazzles traffic across the Green. Cllr Joynes agreed to have a word with the householders.

Action: Cllr Joynes

- 6) **Cllr Jones** reported increased incidents of dog fouling in the recreation ground and on the footpaths between Sambourne and Astwood Bank. It was agreed that a notice should be put in The Link and the possibility of a sign considered.

Action: Cllr Jones

- 7) **Memorial Service:** To be held at 10.45 am on 11th November 2014.

13. Dates of next meetings

Monday 5th January 2015

Monday 9th March 2015